

acts, the Democrats of the entire Union nominated and elected him Vice-President of the United States, without any of our help. Of the six hundred thousand of mixed breeds in this country, it is perfectly notorious that a large majority are presumptively of Democratic parentage, while next to none can claim any consanguinity with Republicans. We appeal to facts, to which any one who walks Broadway by daylight can testify, that the affected Democratic horror of "Miscegenation" is, of all the canards of this canting age, the most notoriously impudent.

A letter from New-Orleans to a New-England organ of Gen. Banks, written in defense of his existing serfage system in Louisiana, says:

"Tobias Gibson, one of the most extensive planters in Louisiana, freely expressed to me in conversation his belief in compensated free black labor, and said that Gen. Banks's order had already saved him \$100,000."

Precisely. Saved the planter \$100,000, and saved it at the expense of the half-emancipated, half-reenslaved, blacks whom Gen. Banks compels to work for \$3 a month, though the planter can richly afford three times that amount. Mr. Philbrick at Port Royal paid his laborers, who were exclusively women, children, and disabled men, on an average \$15 a month, and even at those wages cleared \$70,000 in one season over and above both expenses and capital. Mr. Gibson in Louisiana may well thank Gen. Banks for his \$100,000, but will the negroes, who are robbed of just that amount, thank him?

#### FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune.  
WASHINGTON, Monday, March 21, 1864.

**THE SCHEME TO COLONIZE THE BLACKS.**

Mr. Lincoln's theory that it is well to send the black laborers out of the country, and to get rid of the free negroes, has received a shocking rebuke through the colonization scheme of Forbes and associates which he patronized and carefully superintended. New-Yorkers must recently have noticed that Senator Wilkinson introduced a resolution which was adopted, calling upon the President for information relative to the expenditure of six hundred thousand dollars, appropriated by the last Congress for the colonization of colored persons free by the acts of emancipation and confiscation.

The President reported in response to this resolution that 450 freed colored persons were embarked from Fortress Monroe in April last, under a contract with Messrs. Forbes and associates of New-York, for the island of Aracah, Republic of Hayti. These colored persons were the victims of misfortune from the day of their departure. On their voyage the small-pox broke out among them. They suffered beyond description. Through the mismanagement of the agents in charge, their sufferings were increased after their arrival at the island, from want of attention and of accommodations. Their hardships were so great, and the prospect of their amelioration seemed so slight, that Secretary Usher dispatched a special messenger to inquire into their condition. Mr. Lincoln thought best to have them returned to this country without delay. Accordingly the ship *Marcia C. Day* was sent to Aracah in February, and yesterday the vessel got back, and cast anchor in the Potomac near Alexandria, with the surviving colonists, only 358 in number. Forney's *Chronicle* well says:

"It is to be hoped that this experience will teach us the folly of attempting to depopulate the country of its valuable labor."

**IMPROVEMENT IN THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.**

Military merit will have a chance now in the Army of the Potomac. Military demerit has lost its protection. Shoulder-strapped imbeciles must prepare for exile, for with Lieut. Gen. Grant's increased rank he received full authority to relieve officers under his command who do not do their duty. He will exercise this power rigidly.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE SONS OF CONNECTICUT.**

The Sons of Connecticut in Washington tonight organized for the State and National campaigns. GENERAL GRANT AND THE WORK BEFORE HIM.

Gen. Grant will be here to-morrow. It is calculated that it will take him two weeks to reorganize the Army of the Potomac.

**THE REVISION OF THE TARIFF.**

The Sub-Committee of the Ways and Means having the revision of the Tariff in charge reported to-day to the main Committee.

**A FRUITLESS CAUCUS.**

A Union caucus called for this evening agreed upon nothing, got no information, and accomplished nothing.

**INTERFERENCE WITH ELECTIONS.**

WASHINGTON, Monday, March 21, 1864.  
The Secretary of War, in a communication in reference to a Senate resolution, says that no orders concerning elections were ever issued from his office. He incloses a letter from Assistant Adj. Gen. Townsend reporting that he has given no orders to Provost-Marshal in Kentucky, Delaware, Maryland, or Missouri relative to elections in those States; also, a letter of the same tenor from Provost-Marshal General Fry, which, however, excepts a dispatch of Oct. 31 to Asst. Provost-Marshal Jeffries at Baltimore, as follows:

"Direct your Provost-Marshal to give their aid in carrying out Gen. Schenck's orders for preserving the purity of elections at the polls in Maryland."

**HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN.**

Rev. John C. Jacobs of New-York has been confirmed as a Hospital Chaplain.

**SAFETY OF THE STEAMER FAIRBANKS.**

The steamer Fairbanks, from New-York, for the safety of which fears were entertained, arrived here to-day. She went ashore on the eastern side of the Chesapeake and lay there several days, until with the aid of two vessels she was enabled to get off safely.

**UNION CAUCUS.**

A caucus of the Republican, or Union, members of the House was held to-night at the Capitol. Representative Morrill of Vermont in the Chair. The object was the harmonization of views on important pending questions, and with a view of effecting an early adjournment of Congress, including financial measures necessary to the support of the Government, and the bill reported by Mr. Davis of Maryland, from the Select Committee on the Rebellion States, to guarantee to certain States, whose Governments have been usurped or overthrown, a Republican form of Government. Various gentlemen suggested different bills, which they thought ought to receive prompt attention, but no votes were taken as to measures which should have precedence. It was generally agreed that those of the most public importance should first be considered.

**COMMITTEE TO THE PRESIDENT.**

A Committee on behalf of the New-York Workingmen's Democratic Republican Association to-day waited on the President to inform him that their Association had elected him an honorary member. The object of the organization is to advance the workingmen of America in morals, position and loyalty; it binds them together in support of the Union, and induces them at all sacrifices to sustain it. They requested Mr. Lincoln to give his views on the subject matter of which their address treated.

The President, in reply, said the honorary membership was generally tendered as was gratefully accepted. They comprehended that the existing Rebellion meant death to more than the perpetration of African slavery; that it was in fact a war upon the rights of working people. Partly to show that the view had not escaped his attention, and partly because he could not better express himself, he read a passage from his

Message to Congress of December, 1861, and he then concluded as follows:

"The most notable feature of the disturbance in your city last Summer was the hanging of some working people by other working people. It should never be so. The strongest bond of human sympathy outside of the family relation should be one uniting all working people of all nations, tongues, and kindreds; nor should this lead to a war on property or owners of property. Property is the fruit of labor. Property is desirable—it is a positive good in the world. That some should be rich shows that others may become rich, and hence is just encouragement to industry and enterprise. Let not him who is homeless pull down the house of another, but let him labor diligently and build one for himself, thus by example assuring that his own shall be safe from violence when built."

At the conclusion of the President's remarks, he handed a copy of his speech to Mr. Still, the Chairman, who upon receiving it, said:

"On behalf of the Committee, Mr. President, I thank you, and I will only add, that it is the general desire of the workmen of the United States that the next President of the United States shall be from Springfield, Illinois, and that his name be Abraham Lincoln."

For which the President answered, "I am very much obliged to you gentlemen," and the company dispersed.

**GRN. OWEN ON RECRUITING SERVICE.**

Brig.-Gen. Joshua T. Owen passed through our city to-day, en route for his home at Philadelphia, having been temporarily relieved of his command of a division in the 2d Army Corps, in order that he might further the cause of enlistments in Pennsylvania and the neighboring States by his personal exertions in recruiting. Gen. Owen, in combination with the late Gen. Ed. Baker, recruited originally the famous brigade known as the Philadelphia or Baker's brigade, consisting of the 71st, 72d, 99th, and 106th Pennsylvania Volunteers, which has been prominent in every battle that the Army of the Potomac has been engaged in.

#### From the Mississippi.

CAIRO, Monday, March 21, 1864.

The steamer City of Alton has arrived from Memphis, bound to St. Louis, with 377 bales of cotton and 300 men on board.

Gen. Vench, in command of the guerrillas, has warned the planters along the Mississippi that they will not be allowed to raise crops with contraband negroes.

The 6th Iowa Veterans have arrived here en route home, on furlough.

#### From California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, March 21, 1864.

Three Russian war steamers sailed to-day. Dates have been received from the Sandwich Islands to March 3. The news is unimportant. Spring whalers were beginning to arrive at Honolulu. The sugar crop was very promising.

The steamer Oregon has arrived from the northern ports of Mexico with \$300,000 in treasure, and 300 packages of ore.

Mining operations in Sonora and Sinaloa are represented as in a promising condition.

The *Albatross*, of March 5, says: The French troops left Guadalajara, Feb. 23, going toward Colima, and ere this a battle must have been fought with the National forces.

The same paper says commerce at Mazatlan is interrupted. It seems the purpose of the United States to blockade all the ports south of Mazatlan.

#### Fire.

CHICAGO, Monday, March 21, 1864.  
A fire in the basement of the United States Express Office destroyed a large amount of uncalled for goods, stationery, and records. The loss will reach several thousand dollars.

**TRAGIC AFFAIR IN BROOKLYN.**

Attempts to Murder by a Discarded Lover—A Young Woman Severely Wounded, and her Mistress Probably Fatally Wounded.

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